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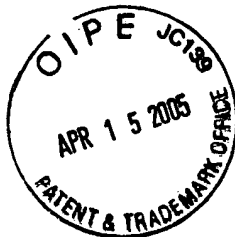
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APPLICATION NO.	FILING DATE	FIRST NAMED INVENTOR	ATTORNEY DOCKET NO.	CONFIRMATION NO.
09/714,280	11/17/2000	Bruce W. Robinson	38898-0004	5535

TITLE OF INVENTION: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR DATA-PATH CONVERSION COMPRISING PCM BIT ROBBING SIGNALLING

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Dear Sir:

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**Title: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR DATA-PATH**  
**CONVERSION COMPRISING PCM BIT ROBBING**  
**SIGNALLING**  
**Group Art Unit: 2665**  
**Applicant: Bruce Robinson, et al.**  
**Assignee: Nortel Networks Limited**  
**Filing Date: November 17, 2000**

In response to the Notice of Allowance and Issue Fee payment which is due May 3, 2005, we enclose the Issue Fee transmittal forms with authorization to debit our deposit account number for the issue fee.

If anything further is needed, please contact Bill Vass at (416) 868-1482.

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